

## HOW TO CARE FOR YOUR GORE-TEX® FOOTWEAR

Taking good care of your GORE-TEX® footwear is easy. We'll show you tips on cleaning your GORE-TEX® footwear properly. Be sure to carefully follow the footwear manufacturer's instructions too.

### THINGS YOU'LL NEED:

- Cloth or brush
- Lukewarm water
- Boot drier (optional)
- Stain remover (optional)
- Water Repellent Treatment (optional)



CLEANING SHOE WITH A BRUSH



REMOVE SOLE FROM SHOE



WASHING SHOE IN WATER WITH DETERGENT



APPLYING DWR



PREPARE SHOE FOR DRYING

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### STEP 1 | WASH

- Remove the laces, then shake out sand, gravel, and dirt from inside the footwear.
- If possible, remove and shake out the foot bed or insole.

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### STEP 2 | WASH

- Brush off loose dirt with a sponge or brush.
- Then use lukewarm water with a small amount of liquid detergent.
- For leather shoes, check manufacturer's instructions.
- Don't use bleach.
- Don't wash in the washing machine.

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### STEP 3 | DRY

- Dry naturally at moderate temperatures.
- Avoid direct heat.
- Don't let the footwear stay wet too long.
- Convection-style boot driers work well.

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### STEP 4 | RE-APPLY DWR

- Once water no longer beads and runs off, re-apply a durable water repellent (DWR).
- Use a water-based restorative, available as a pump-spray.
- Don't use waterproofing waxes or greases, as they can affect your footwear's breathability.

### STAIN REMOVAL

Whether it's mud, oil, or something more mysterious, follow the footwear manufacturer's instructions to remove stains. Only use recommended products. We don't recommend using stain removers - only liquid detergents.